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SUBJECT: CODEL PRICE - ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS, KIEV

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1. AS CODEL IS NO DOUBT AWARE, KIEV ADVANCE PARTY (KAP) CONSISTS OF ONLY FIVE OFFICERS. ALTHOUGH EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE MAXIMUM ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE, GREAT BURDEN OF ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS IN KIEV WILL BE BORNE BY LOCAL INTOURIST OFFICES. WHILE MAXIMUM LOCAL SUPPORT CAN BE EXPECTED, CODEL SHOULD BE AWARE OF SPECIFIC DIFFICULTIES WHICH WILL BE ENCOUNTERED.

A. LACK OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES OTHER THAN INTOURIST RESOURCES: FOR INSTANCE, EVEN KAP WILL NEED TO HIRE INTOURIST CAR AND DRIVER FOR ITSELF IN ORDER TO SUPPORT VISIT.

B. LACK OF ACCESS TO WESTERN NECESSITIES/LUXURIES: THERE IS NO LOCAL SOURCE OF WESTERN RAZOR BLADES, SUNDRIES, ALCOHOL, FOODSTUFFS, ETC. IF MEMBERS WISH TO PURCHASE OR USE SPIRITS OTHER THAN VODKA OR COGNAC, EVEN AT HOSTED FUNCTIONS, ALL BEVERAGES MUST BE TRANSPORTED TO KIEV.

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C. LACK OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND FACILITIES. KAP HAS NO FACILITIES FOR STORAGE OR PROCESSING OF CLASSIFIED MATERIAL, NOR DOES IT POSSESS RESOURCES FOR MAJOR FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS. EVEN LIMITED RUBLE OR DOLLAR CONVERSION WILL SEVERELY STRAIN RESERVES. MANUAL TYPEWRITER BUT NO DUPLICATING FACILITY WILL BE AVAILABLE IN CONTROL

ROOM.

EMPLOYEES OF EMBASSY WHO ARE PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE
D. NOTWITHSTANDING LIMITATIONS OF FACILITIES, KAP CAN
ASSURE CODEL OF INTERESTING, FRUITFUL AND PLEASANT VISIT
TO ONE OF THE SOVIET UNION'S PRETTIER CITIES.

2. ADVANCE PARTY PROPOSES FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR CONSID-
ERATION OF CODEL TAKING INTO ACCOUNT TENTATIVE SCHEDULE
PROPOSED IN REFTEL.

A. THURSDAY, MARCH 30

1125 ARRIVAL

1300 LUNCH AT HOTEL

1430 CALLS ON LOCAL OFFICIALS. TOURS FOR SPOUSES/STAFF.

1700-1830 RECEPTION HOSTED BY SOVIETS. ADVANCE PARTY NOT-
ES THAT IN KIEV 1900 IS NORMAL HOUR FOR RECEPTIONS SO THAT
SOVIET SIDE MAY PROPOSE TO MOVE RECEPTION TO 1900-2030.
IF SO FOR THOSE NOT ATTENDING RECEPTION "MADAME BUTTERFLY"
IS PERFORMANCE AT OPERA HOUSE.

2300 SUPPER AT HOTEL
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B. FRIDAY, MARCH 31

0800 BREAKFAST

MORNING AND AFTERNOON OFFICIAL CALLS/VISITS PER REFTEL.
SEPARATE PROGRAM FOR SPOUSES AND STAFF.

1300 LUNCHEON FOR ALL AT HOTEL

1830--2200 OFFICIAL RECEPTION AT HOTEL OR RESTAURANT (80
SOVIET GUESTS PLUS 60 MEMBERS OF CODEL - COST WILL BE
\$1500-2500 TO BE BORNE BY CODEL). (HALL RENTAL FOR PRI-
VATE FUNCTIONS IS RUBLES 1000.) UNLESS CODEL OPTS FOR
SOVIET STYLE REFRESHMENTS (VODKA, COGNAC, WINE) ALL BEVER-
AGES, MIXTURES AND CONDIMENTS MUST BE TRANSPORTED TO KIEV
ON AIRCRAFT. AS NOTED PARA (A), EXACT TIMING FOR RECEP-
TION WILL DEPEND UPON LOCAL CONSIDERATIONS.

2100 DINNER AT HOTEL OR LOCAL RESTAURANT.

3. AS KIEV AUTHORITIES MAY OFFER TO HOST RECEPTION MARCH

30, CODEL MAY WISH TO RESPOND BY HOSTING LUNCHEON FOR
SENIOR OFFICIALS AT LOCAL RESTAURANT IN LIEU OF LARGE MORE
EXPENSIVE RECEPTION. APPROXIMATE COST FOR LUNCHEON FOR
FORTY PEOPLE WOULD BE \$750. PLEASE ADVISE. TOON

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